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In re application of: Christian Knöpfle et al.

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Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application, applicant encloses herewith for filing the formal drawings containing Figs. 1-9.

Favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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